



# NEWSLETTER

March 2023

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## New Year & New Milestones

### *Chris Croker, ULF President*

As we begin another busy year, I wanted to take the time to thank you all for your ongoing and generous support for our local community through the work of the Upper Lachlan Foundation.

As you will read in this newsletter on page 2, the Foundation was able to distribute 20,957.20 from the ULF Open Fund through our Community Grant Funding Program in November 2022.

We also recently established the Uniting Care Fund, Roslyn Landcare Fund and the Micheal and Wendy Fund which has increased the foundation's capital to over \$1,000,000. This is an outstanding achievement for the foundation and community which we hope you will help us celebrate this year. Make sure you save the date for our million dollar milestone celebration set to be held on Saturday 29th July.

After announcing the new 'life' membership tier we now have 15 life members, which will greatly assist the foundation with administration to enable us to continue growing our capital.

I thank all of our sponsors and business partners for your ongoing support and look forward to working with you again this year for the betterment of our Upper Lachlan Community.

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# GRANT FUNDING IN 2022

## Community Helping Community

It was another big year for granting with the Foundation distributing **\$61,579.20** from our 15 named funds. The ULF Open Fund alone granted **\$20,957.20** into the Upper Lachlan Community via our two grant funding programs listed below. Read more about grant recipients on our website.



### **\$750 ULF Small Community Grant funding recipients**

Bigga Progress Assoc	\$700
Crookwell Community Mens Shed	\$700
Crookwell Golf Club Ltd	\$700
Crookwell Mary Gilmore Society	\$700
Crookwell Meals on Wheels	\$700
Flyball Friends	\$700
Laggan Memorial Hall Land Managers	\$700
Roslyn Progress & Memorial Hall Assoc	\$700
Taralga Australia Day Rodeo Committee	\$700
Taralga Community Medical Assoc Inc	\$700

### **\$1500 ULF Open Fund Grant funding recipients**

Bannister & District Hall Assoc Inc	\$1,500.00
Crookwell Community Garden	\$1,500.00
Crookwell Golf Course Maintenance Assoc Inc	\$1,500.00
Crookwell Progress Assoc Inc	\$935.00
Rotary Club of Crookwell	\$1,400.00
Crookwell Services Womens Bowling Club	\$1,223.20
Gunning Dristict Community Health Service Inc. trading as Gunning Community Care	\$1,500.00
Gunning District Landcare	\$1,399.00
Laggan Public School	\$1,500.00
Upper Lachlan Landcare	\$1,500.00

## Bigga Progress Association

Granted \$700 toward small  
hall cinema screenings

ULF Director Tim McCarthy presents the Bigga Progress Assoc a cheque to assist their efforts to improve the wellbeing of the Bigga community. The small hall cinema will host regular screenings whilst also encourage use by local schools and community groups.



*Pictured: from left Ingrid Clements & Renee Clements of Bigga Progress Association with ULF Director Tim McCarthy*



## Gunning Community Care

Gunning District Community and Health Service Inc provides community support and local access to health services to residents of the Gunning locality and surrounding villages including Gundaroo, Collector, Dalton and Breadalbane and the districts of Jerrawa, Bellmount Forest, Bevendale and Biala.

GDCHS is a non-government, not for profit association that relies on public, government and private sector support to fulfil their mission with and on behalf of our community.

## Taralga Community Medical Assoc

Taralga medical centre were very happy to receive \$700 from the ULF to help with running costs such as electricity, gardening, cleaning ect. Covid had impacted the fund-raising ability of the community for the normal income streams in which keep this critical centre open for the residents of Taralga.

*Pictured: from left ULF President Chris Croker with Bruce McGregor President of Taralga Community Medical Association*

GDCHS has recently been able to acquire the services of Leah Lloyd, a Women's Health Nurse specialist to provide fortnightly services in Gunning.

Due to Covid, many people have neglected to keep up with specific checks and having Leah available will mean that local women will be able to access Cervical Screening Tests (the new pap smear); 6 week postnatal check for new mothers, education on incontinence, contraception, and menopause as well as discuss general women's wellbeing issues.

The grant of \$1,500 GDCHS received has meant that to date 25 clients have had free access to these services rather than paying a co-contribution and where circumstances exist where these services would not otherwise be locally available.

*Pictured: from left Medical Receptionist Amanda Evans, Women's Health Nurse "Leah Lloyd" and Team Leader Chloe Johnson.*

*"Thank you, ULF for providing funds towards this amazing service to women in our community"  
Katie Yeo, GDCHS General Manager*



# A MILLION DOLLAR MILESTONE

*over a million invested for our Community*

Established in 2011 the ULF Steering Committee had a vision of creating a sustainable income stream for the Upper Lachlan Shire Community to meet the needs of our community without relying on government funding. A goal of reaching a million dollars in capital was set and the board is excited to have now reached this milestone!

As of 31 Dec, 2022 the foundation has 15 funds equalling a total of **\$1,118,055.84**, Solidifying the foundation's importance to the sustainability of our community

Since 2011 the ULF has returned over **\$224,577.33** to the community, supporting Aged Care, Emergency Relief, Education, Health, Mental Health and local community organisations. This is a direct result of our fundamental strategy of investing the funds we receive from our benefactors and only making distributions of the interest these investments return to us and our donors



Distribution amounts awarded are increasing each year of our existence as our capital grows. Most particularly in the last three years!

- 2017 = \$17,959.21
- 2018 = \$25,365.94
- 2019 = \$26,931.34
- 2020 = \$37,915.19
- 2021 = \$51,676.45
- 2022 = \$61,579.20



*Pictured: The ULF Steering Committee. Back row Dick Kearins, Don Burbidge, Garry Kadwell, Ben Carter, Tim McCarthy and John Mendl. Front row Catherine Carter, Melinda Medway and Glenda McCue (absent Chris Croker and Charlie Prell)  
Photo Credit: Crookwell Gazette 18/01/2011*



## Save the Date

**What:** \$1 million milestone celebration

**When:** Saturday 29th July, 2023

**Where:** Crookwell Services Club,  
160 Goulburn street, Crookwell, NSW

# OUR NAMED FUNDS

## *A part of the GreaterGood, ACT Public Trustee & Guardian*

In 2022 the ULF established 3 new funds, bringing our total funds held with the Greater Good to 15 which includes the ULF Open Fund & Gift Fund.

In June 2022, following the take over of Crookwell Tarlaga Aged Care by Uniting Care, a sum of \$475,000 was donated by Uniting to the Upper Lachlan Community via the ULF. These funds have been set aside in their own named fund as the board continues to deliberate on the most appropriate way for any income to be distributed.

We also opened the Michael & Wendy Fund and the Roslyn Landcare Fund tipping our capital held with GreaterGood to over \$1 million.

See all of our named fund balances as of 31st December, 2022 below.



**\$1,118,055.84**  
*"held in trust for the benefit of  
 Upper Lachlan Residents &  
 Organisations"*

<b>FUND</b>	<b>FOCUS</b>	<b>\$</b>
Bub 4 Life	Mental Health	\$30,876.03
CCT2	Emergency Relief	\$136,586.31
Crookwell Community Trust	Emergency Relief	\$73,513.72
Crookwell Potato Association	Education	\$38,018.52
Foundation Challenge Fund	Education	\$27,557.94
Frank Willis Memorial Fund	Aged Care	\$41,807.87
Global Power Generation	Education	\$27,649.91
Lindsay Dove	Health	\$42,472.55
Lions Gunning Centennial Fund	Community	\$22,105.98
Nancy Martin Memorial Fund	Education	\$28,912.13
Roslyn Landcare Fund	Landcare	\$18,984.68
The Michael & Wendy Fund	Health	\$18,872.41
ULF Gift Fund	Community	\$878.49
ULF Open Fund	Community	\$152,943.90
Uniting Care Fund	Yet to be determined	\$456,875.40

# ROSLYN LANDCARE FUND

*Supporting people in the Upper Lachlan to enable them to care for the environment.*

In the early 90s a handful of farming families in the Roslyn area envisaged the mass planting of native trees to transform what was then a barren landscape. The Roslyn Landcare Group was created in October 1996 and in over 30 years culminated in the planting and maintaining of many tens of thousands of trees and shrubs in habitat corridors across the area. This transformed the Roslyn landscape into what you see today – a beautifully treed vista which has helped the agricultural production with animal shelter and provided habitat for native birds.

The Roslyn Landcare Group have received many awards and accolades for their wonderful work over the years including their involvement of school students in tree planting days.



Unfortunately, in 2021 due to lack of support it was decided the Roslyn Landcare Group would be wound up. Thanks to the residual money left in their account and three very generous members' financial contributions, \$20,000 was raised and in 2022 the 'Roslyn Landcare Fund' was established with the ULF. With Upper Lachlan Landcare, as the network or umbrella landcare organisation for the Shire they were named as the beneficiary of this fund.

Upper Lachlan Landcare has since developed an Annual Bursary Award which will be funded by the distributions from the 'Roslyn Landcare Fund'. This award will provide financial support to people wanting to undertake training, study or to action on-ground activities that will help them improve the health of the Upper Lachlan landscape.

Landcare is a grassroots movement of groups, and individuals with the shared vision to protect, enhance and restore the natural environment through sustainable land management and conservation activities. The distribution from this new named fund will enable Upper Lachlan Landcare to continue supporting this movement via the Bursary Award whilst acknowledging the legacy of work made by the Roslyn Landcare group that endures across the landscape today.

*Pictured: Roslyn Landcare Group thanks to the Upper Lachlan Landcare website*

# LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY

## *Your Will and the Upper Lachlan Foundation*

After providing for your family and friends in your Will, you may wish to consider setting aside funds to provide financial support for local community organisations or causes in which you have an interest. The ULF facilitates this wish having an easy and accessible structure for convenience and the added benefit of a reputable trustee in the ACT Public Trustee and Guardian.

Leaving a bequest for your community is an easy and convenient way to provide financial support for causes that are important to you within the Upper Lachlan Shire. The ULF board is composed of individuals with a degree of responsibility for our community and contribute their time and expertise free of charge to monitor your bequest and ensure it complies with your wishes.

You may wish to donate to an existing ULF Fund or open a new Named Fund. When you create or donate to a charitable fund under your Will, you have the opportunity to benefit the community forever with a permanent endowment, leaving a lasting legacy.

**Interested in making a bequest?  
Contact your trusted legal advisor or the Upper Lachlan Foundation to discuss your gift further.**



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# THE NANCY MARTIN MEMORIAL FUND

## Remembering Bill Martin

William Alexander (Bill) Martin died peacefully on 9th Aug, 2022 and yet his Legacy of giving back will continue to live on through the Nancy Martin Memorial Fund set up with the Upper Lachlan Foundation in 2012.

Bill was a tireless contributor to the community, assisting many community organisations with his financial skills as a chartered accountant, volunteering, serving as a councillor on the Crookwell and Upper Lachlan Shire Councils, and for many years both Bill and his first wife Nancy were committed to youth education being heavily involved in the Crookwell Public School P&C.

After the passing of Nancy in 2011, Bill donated \$20,000 to the Upper Lachlan Foundation to create the 'Nancy Martin Memorial Fund' in 2012, designed to lend a 'helping hand' to the students at Crookwell Public School. This Generous gift by Bill Martin in the name of his late wife, created a lasting legacy for the community and now even after Bill's passing will continue to give back.

The Nancy Martin Memorial Fund has grown since 2012 with a balance of \$28,912.13 as of 31 December 2022. These funds are held in perpetuity with the interest earned being distributed to the Crookwell Public School to assist disadvantaged youth participate in school excursions and like events.

Before COVID, each year Bill Martin would attend the Crookwell Public School Presentation Night to ceremoniously present a cheque for the distribution of proceeds to the school. This year the fund was able to distribute \$3,970.00.



*Pictured: Crookwell Public School Principal Greg Attfield accepting the cheque from Bill Martin (centre) with Ben Carter ULF President*

*Photo Credit: Crookwell Gazette 30/10/2012*

***"The fund benefits the children at Crookwell Public School by helping to level the playing field to give all students the chance to participate and succeed at school."***



## **Remembering Bill Martin - continued**

In keeping with the wishes of Nancy and Bill Martin, the Crookwell Public School and the CPS P&C association utilise distributions from the Nancy Martin Memorial Fund to support students to fully participate in school and interschool events. Sometimes this is in small ways through the student support program, such as providing uniform items or canteen lunches where needed. In the years since its inception, distributions from the fund have also helped provide books and learning materials to students, subsidised transport and accommodation costs for school excursions, camps, and for regional sports representatives to attend competitions.

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When the first distribution from Nancy Martin Memorial Fund was presented to the Crookwell Public School, the principal at the time, Mr Greg Atfield, proposed that the P&C contribute an equal amount from their fundraising efforts as a donation back into the Fund. Since then, the P&C has given an annual donation of a similar sum to the Fund through the Upper Lachlan Foundation to help grow the investment and achieve greater returns into the future.

As Bill and Nancy would have known from their time serving on the P&C, fundraising each year relies on the hard work of volunteers and the generosity of the school and wider community. With a head start from Bill and Nancy Martin, and with the P&C's commitment to their annual contributions, the passive income received from the Nancy Martin Memorial Fund will continue to grow and benefit the current and future students of Crookwell Public School.

## **Laggan Pig Races return in 2022**

**over \$16,000 raised for ULF**

The Laggan QuickShear competition and Laggan Pig Races were run simultaneously at the historic Laggan Pub on Saturday the 26th of November, 2022

After a two year break, the pig races were back attracting around 1,000 patrons from Bathurst, Sydney, Wollongong, Goulburn and Canberra. With excellent weather, patrons enjoyed picnics on the grass and soaking up the sun, enjoying what was a perfect day for racing piglets



Through sponsorship, gate takings, raffles and the piglet auction this event has raised well over \$16,000 for the Upper Lachlan Foundation this year, being a major fundraising event for the foundation.

A special thankyou to all of our sponsors listed on page 11.

# JOIN OUR BOARD

## *Become a Director & help make a difference*

The Upper Lachlan Foundation are on the lookout for community driven individuals to join the Board of Directors.

Being a part of the Upper Lachlan Foundation board, you have the opportunity to utilise your skills and passion for the community whilst helping make a positive change.

Nominations for the board will open on the 15th March, 2023 and close at the AGM on 29th March, 2023 at 7:30pm.

We encourage all of our members to consider nominating. To discuss the role of board member further please get in touch.



# BECOME A MEMBER

## *Start your philanthropic journey for as little as \$20*

Being a Member of the Upper Lachlan Foundation means you can become a part of a community of people giving back to the community we live in.

The ULF rely on Memberships to fund the administration of the Foundation enabling us to grow and spread our reach to every corner of the Upper Lachlan Shire.

Become a member today for as little as \$20 per annum from October to September.

We now also have a **Life Membership** Tier so you can make a greater impact! Life Memberships are a one off donation of \$500. To date we have 15 life members and growing.

Download a membership form from our website or get in touch for more info.



## Save the Date

**What:** ULF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**When:** Wednesday 29th March, 7:30PM

**Where:** CWA Rooms

29 Spring street, Crookwell, NSW

# Thankyou to our Supporters

## Sponsors & Business Partners

*"We would not be able to grow and continue the work we are doing without the support of our members, donors, sponsors and business partners."*

The **Laggan Pig Races** is our major annual fundraiser, and would not be possible without the generous support of our event sponsors.

A special thankyou to our 3 Major Sponsors for 2022; Divalls Earthmoving, Price Perspective Accountancy and Global Power Generation.

Also a thankyou to our other sponsors David and Kathy Woods at Complete Farm Management, Josh and Casey Hewitt at Hewitt's Ag and Plant Repairs, John McGeechan at McGeechan Farm Supplies, Shawn Quinton and Graeme Williams at Herries Davidson Accountancy, Luke Greig at Evans Panel Works, Stephen and Annette Clark at Bullmax, Glibert Flood and Andrew Nesbitt at Southern Cross Consulting Surveyors, Ian Miller at Manly Paradise Hotel and Apartments, Jayde Costello and Will Lucas at the Crookwell Veterinary Clinic, Stu Campbell at the Laggan Hotel, and Ally Jaffray at Nutrien



## Lindner Sock Factory

A local Crookwell business, Lindner's uses traceable merino wool from growers in our region to knit a range of Wool Connect products in the sock factory. A percentage from the sale of any Wool Connect product in the Lindner Socks Shop, Crookwell is donated to the Upper Lachlan Foundation

## Crookwell Potato Association



Crookwell is a leading producer of sought-after high-quality seed potatoes. The Crookwell Potato Association supports the work of the Upper Lachlan Foundation by donating a fixed amount per hectare of seed potato planted each season.

# MAKE A DONATION

## *Give where you Live*

We have moved our operating accounts to the Bendigo Bank which means we have new account information. To make a donation, or pay a membership you can do so by making a deposit into the below bank account.

**Acct Name: Upper Lachlan Foundation Inc**

**BSB: 633-000**

**Acct: 198 355 174**



## Community Feedback

"The committee of Crookwell Meals on Wheels Service Inc are grateful to the Foundation for a ULF Small Community Grant to assist with fuel reimbursements and police certificate check fees for our volunteers"

- Crookwell Meals on Wheels Service

"Thanks so much for helping with our history preservation project. We're all tremendously excited to be able to continue scanning, storing and indexing the huge collection of film negatives and prints from the 1960s to the late 1990s"

- Crookwell Progress Association Inc



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